

PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

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(Implements RCW 34.05.310)
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Department of Labor and Industries Subject of possible rule making: Chapter 296-24 WAC, Part J-3, Powered Platforms, Chapter 296-155 WAC, Manually propelled elevating work platforms, Self propelled elevating work platforms, and Boom supported elevating work platforms, Chapter 296-869 WAC, Elevating Platforms, Chapter 296-870 WAC, Powered Platforms Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: RCW 49.17.010, 49.17.040, and 49.17.050. Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: WISHA is proposing to rewrite and clarify requirements relating to powered platforms, manually, self propelled, and boom supported elevating work platforms. The rulemaking is part of our long-term goal to rewrite our safety and health rules. The proposal will move current requirements from Chapter 296-24 WAC, General Safety and Health Standards, and Chapter 296-155 WAC, Safety Standards for Construction Work, into two separate, stand alone WAC chapters. Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies: No other state or federal agencies, other than OSHA, are known to regulate these subjects. Process for developing new rule (check all that apply): Negotiated rule making Pilot rule making Agency study Other (describe) Parties interested in the formulation of these rules may contact the individual listed below. The public may also participate by commenting after rule language is proposed by providing written comments or oral testimony during the public hearing process. How interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication: Jim Hughes, Project Manager, WISHA Services Division Department of Labor and Industries PO Box 44620 Olympia, WA 98504-4620 Email: hugw235@lni.wa.gov Phone: (360) 902-4504; Fax: (360) 902-5529 DATE **CODE REVISER USE ONLY** August 16, 2005 WSR #05-17-104 NAME (TYPE OR PRINT) Gary K. Weeks **SIGNATURE** TITLE Director